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AKIRA, NOZOMI, THANKS FOR COMING WITH ME.
IT'S HARD TO THINK OF A GIFT AFTER ALL.
GREAT!
I'M GLAD WE FOUND A NICE GIFT~!!
EXACTLY! IT'S ALREADY HARD TO THINK OF A GIFT FOR A FRIEND.
Jeez!
HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO KNOW WHAT MY THREE YEAR-OLD NEPHEW WOULD LIKE!
OH, HEY

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WHAT ?!!

CAN WE GO CHECK THE MEN'S FLOOR NEXT?

YOU HAVE A BOYFRIEND NOW?!
WE STARTED DATING JUST LAST WEEK.
Hehe
IS HE FROM OUR UNI?
YEAH
ACTUALLY, YOU'VE MET HIM BEFORE, AKIRA.
HE WAS WITH US IN THE GROUP DATE.
Do you remember Sonoyama-kun?
UH...
YOU ONLY REMEMBER SEO-KUN, DON'T YOU?

I SEE. SO WE'RE CHECKING THE MEN'S FLOOR TO CHOOSE A GIFT.
Ahaha
I'VE NEVER BOUGHT CLOTHES IN THE MEN'S FLOOR FOR MYSELF.
I WAS SURPRISED BECAUSE I THOUGHT YOUR TASTE CHANGED OR SOMETHING.
YOU SEEM USED TO THIS FLOOR, THOUGH.
Sir, you are pretty slim, so perhaps a ladies'-sized one will fit you
H-Huh
YUP, I OFTEN COME HERE.
And they often mistake me for a guy

To a shop that sells nice accessories for gifts
CAN YOU RECOMMEND A GOOD SHOP?
HMM
I OFTEN VISIT THAT SHOP ON THAT CORNER.
YOU DO? SHOULD WE ENTER THAT SHOP?
OH, THAT'S JUST PERFECT. I'LL CHOOSE MY GIFT FOR MAKOTO.
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COME TO THINK OF IT, AKIRA,
WHAT ARE YOUR PLANS FOR CHRISTMAS?
I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING PLANNED IN PARTICULAR. I'LL JUST EAT DINNER AND CAKE AT HOME.
My Mom's gonna cook fried chicken.
Oh
HOW RARE.
I FIGURED YOU HAD PLANS WITH NINOMIYA AGAIN.
SO I GUESS NINOMIYA'S GOT OTHER THINGS TO DO FOR CHRISTMAS.
MAKOTO?

MAKOTO'S GONNA EAT DINNER WITH US AGAIN THIS YEAR.
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YOU SHOULD HANG OUT WITH US, TOO, THEN.
HUH? WHAT ABOUT YOUR BOY-FRIEND?
SONOYAMA-KUN'S COMING WITH US. YESTERDAY, WE TALKED ABOUT HAVING A GET TOGETHER WITH THE SAME GROUP DATE MEMBERS.
I'll invite Seo-kun as well.

YOU SHOULD COME TOO, AKIRA.
INVITE SAYAKA-CHAN AS WELL.
I'LL JUST EAT FRIED CHICKEN AT YOUR HOUSE JUST LIKE ALWAYS.
THEY GET TASTIER EVERY YEAR.

IT WON'T FEEL LIKE CHRISTMAS UNLESS I EAT ONE OF HER FRIED CHICKEN.
I'LL PASS.
MOM'S EXCITED FOR CHRISTMAS, SEE.
I'LL GO BUY THIS.
SPENDING CHRISTMAS WITH THEM WILL NO DOUBT BE FUN.
BUT
MAKOTO SAID HE'S COMING OVER AGAIN THIS YEAR.
Auntie, I can see smoke! Is everything alright?!
Sayaka-chan, can you help me out here?
SPENDING CHRISTMAS TOGETHER JUST LIKE WE ALWAYS DO
IS DEFINITELY

WHAT DO WE DO NEXT~?
IT'S STILL EARLY FOR DINNER.
OH, I WANT TO CHECK OUT THIS CAFE...
IT'S NEAR THE NEXT STATION, HUH. SHOULD WE WALK UP TO THERE?

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HEY, ARE YOU LISTENING?
IGNORING US? HARSH.
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ARE YOU WAITING FOR YOUR FRIENDS?
IF YOUR FRIEND'S ALSO A GIRL, DO YOU WANT TO COME EAT WITH US?
IT'S OUR TREAT.
AKIRA, WHAT'S WRONG?
AH!
SHE'S FROM LAST TIME!!
Ainomiya's fake girlfriend!!!
I...
TELL US IF YOU DIDN'T CATCH WHAT WE SAID, OKAY?
WE'RE CALLING YOU CUTE, YOU KNOW?

I KNOW. YOU DON'T HAVE TO TELL ME.
IF THAT'S WHAT YOU THINK, DO ME A FAVOR AND COME BACK AFTER LOOKING AT A MIRROR.
!!
THAT JUST NOW
WAS NASTY.
IT HURTS, YA KNOW?

TRY SAYING "GIVE IT BACK."
ASK FOR IT CUTELY.
COME ON.
...HEY, WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING?
What?
Are they fighting?
YOU WERE BLATANTLY IGNORING US AND KEPT ON FIDDLING YOUR PHONE.
WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE?

GIVE IT BACK!
HUUH?
WHO ARE YOU?
I'M THE ONE SHE'S WAITING FOR.
NOW GIVE IT BACK!!

They think I'm a guy again
ARE YOU SURE YOU KNOW HER REAL PERSONALITY?
SHE SAID, "YOU DON'T HAVE TO TELL ME I'M CUTE. I KNOW I AM."
BUT YOUR TASTE IN WOMEN SUCK, MAN.
LOOK, YOU'RE FREE TO PLAY THE HERO HERE.

THAT'S NOT TRUE!
SHE LOOKS CUTE, BUT HER PERSONALITY IS REALLY UGLY...

HELLO? IS THIS THE POLICE STATION?
WHY ARE YOU MAKING A B G DEAL OUT OF THIS...
WHAT? POLICE ...?
IF YOU DON'T STOP, I'LL CALL THE POLICE!

I lied.
What the heck? So stupid
You're exaggerating, damn it
AKIRA, YOU OKAY?
YES, PLEASE. WE'RE AT--
SOME SUSPICIOUS PEOPLE ARE GANGING UP ON MY FRIEND IN THE MIDDLE OF THE TOWN. IT'S REALLY TERRIBLE.
WHAT WERE YOU TRYING TO DO?
Here's your phone
FUMI-CHAN, ARE YOU ALRIGHT?
YOU SAVED US. THANKS.
MIND YOUR OWN BUSINESS.
I DIDN'T ASK FOR YOUR HELP.

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LOOK HERE YOU...
SHOULDN'T YOU BE THANKING HER RIGHT NOW?
OUTSIDERS SHOULD STAY OUT OF THIS.
I DON'T WANT TO THANK AKIRA-CHAN.
WHAT'S UP WITH YOU...!!! YOUR PERSONALITY'S JUST NASTY ...!!
YOU TOO AKIRA! WHY ARE YOU LETTING HER JUST SAY WHAT SHE WANTS?!
AYAKA, CALM DOWN.
WELL, YOU SEE, STUFF SORT OF HAPPENED. IT CAN'T BE HELPED.

...SEE?
THAT'S WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT. IT'S THAT PART OF YOU
THAT IRRITATES ME.
YOU'RE THINKING YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORK HARD LIKE ME
BECAUSE NINOMIYA-KUN'S BESIDE YOU AND FOR YOU THAT'S ONLY NATURAL, AREN'T YOU?
HOW CAN YOU BE SO KIND TO ME?
YOU'RE THINKING "THIS IS EASY"... "SHE DOESN'T EVEN COUNT AS A RIVAL," AREN'T YOU?
SAME GOES FOR NINOMIYA-KUN. THE PERSON HE'S BEEN ONE-SIDEDLY IN LOVE WITH FOR YEARS ONLY THINKS OF HIM LIKE THAT.
HE SERIOUSLY DOESN'T HAVE AN EYE FOR PEOPLE. HOW STUPID...!

FUMI-CHAN,
TAKE THOSE WORDS BACK.

I DON'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENED THAT MADE YOU MISUNDERSTAND US,
BUT MAKOTO AND I ARE CHILDHOOD FRIENDS, AND THAT WON'T CHANGE IN THE FUTURE.
FUMI-CHAN, WHAT DO YOU WANT ME TO DO? WHAT DO YOU EXPECT FROM ME?

OR IF YOU'RE NOT CONVINCED.
BUT
IT'S UP TO YOU IF YOU DON'T BELIEVE WHAT I SAY

IT'S WRONG TO SPEAK ILL OF MAKOTO, ISN'T IT?
AH!
WAIT!
YOU'RE NOT DONE TALKING! STOP RIGHT THERE!
ARE YOU FINE WITH THIS, AKIRA?!

Oh, sorry.
The atmosphere is ruined now.
A-ARE YOU ALRIGHT?
YEAH, I'M FINE, I'M FINE.
LET'S WALK TO THE NEXT STATION!

IT'S THE FIRST TIME I SAW HER ANGRY...
...I DIDN'T KNOW AKIRA CAN GET ANGRY...
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